



## News Release

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### Sierra National, Miami Mountain Lookout

**Clovis, CA, June 6, 2023** – Miami Mountain lookout is a historic fire detection lookout tower in Eastern Mariposa County on the Bass Lake Ranger District of the Sierra National Forest, as part of a Forest-wide network. Traditionally it has been staffed with local volunteers between the months of May and October when the threat of wildfires is the highest.

The Miami lookout volunteer group has been largely responsible for staffing of Miami lookout for the last 28 years and has been an integral part of the staffing and maintenance of the lookout since 1995. The Miami lookout group will not be staffing the fire tower this year and the Sierra National Forest would like to thank them for their years of dedication and service.

The Miami Mountain fire lookout is one of two lookouts in the area, the other lookout, Signal Peak Fire lookout will be staffed full time with a Forest Service employee. While Miami Mountain lookout is equipped with technology that helps to detect wildfires, staffing at this tower can also be utilized to increase coverage, particularly during the high visitation periods during holidays and weekends, where the wildfire threat is increased.

The Sierra National Forest is committed to continue the staffing of this lookout tower as described above and will be pursuing a variety of options; permanent staff, temporary staff and volunteers, to continue to fulfill this role. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the Miami Mountain lookout location, please contact the Bass Lake Ranger District Fire Management Officer Ron Plummer at [ronald.plummer@usda.gov](mailto:ronald.plummer@usda.gov).

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